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SUBJECT: EUROPEAN SPACE COOPERATION - SPACELAB

IN RESPONSE TO SCICON QUERY, FONOFF SPACE OFFICER ADVISES THAT FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS, SINCE SPACE-COOPERATION SIGNATURES OF AUGUST 14, REMINDED ITALIAN GOVERNMENT OF ITS QUOTE RESPONSIBILITIES UNQUOTE IN REGARD THE EUROPEAN SPACE AGREEMENT AND THAT THE FAILURE OR SUCCESS OF THREE MAJOR PROGRAMS DEPENDS UPON ITALIAN FOLLOW-THROUGH. AN ITALIAN COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IS EXPECTED TO HAVE MADE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT REGARDING REPARTITION OF FUNDS AMONG L3S, SPACELAB AND MAROTS IN GENERAL ACCORD WITH PREVIOUS PLANS. WHILE MATTER IS CONSIDERED BY NO MEANS SETTLED, FRENCH ARE HOPEFUL AND ANTICIPATE ITALIAN CONTRIBUTION WILL BE FOR ABOUT THE AMOUNT EXPECTED.

2. ATMOSPHERE IN MEETING AT ESRO YESTERDAY (SEPTEMBER 5) ALSO REPORTED OPTIMISTIC, ALTHOUGH CRITICAL MEETING OF ITALIAN MINISTERS CONCERNED ANXIOUSLY AWAITED.

3. GIBSON OF ESRO INDICATED THAT AD HOC WORKING GROUP MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 5 MADE GOOD PROGRESS IN COMPLETING TEXT OF PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR NEW EUROPE SPACE AGENCY.

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